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For the class of replacement algorithms known as stack algorithms, existing analysis techniques permit the computation of memory miss ratios for all memory sizes simultaneously in one pass over a memory reference string. We extend the class of computations possible by this methodology in two ways. First, we show how to compute the effects of copy-backs in write-back caches. The key observation here is that a given block is clean for all memory sizes less than or equal to C ...

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We describe an efficient server-based algorithm for garbage collecting persistent object stores in a client-server environmnet. The algorithm is incremental and runs concurrently with client transactions. Unlike previous algorithms, it does not hold any transactional locks on data and does non require callbacks to clients. It is fault-tolerant, but performs very little logging. The algorithm has been designed to be integrated into existing systems, and therefore it works with standard i ...

5 Code optimization - I: Local scheduling techniques for memory coherence in a clustered VLIW processor with a distributed data cache

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Clustering is a common technique to deal with wire delays. Fully-distributed architectures, where the register file, the functional units and the cache memory are partitioned, are particularly effective to deal with these constraints and besides they are very scalable. However, the distribution of the data cache introduces a new problem: memory instructions may reach the cache in an order different to the sequential program order, thus possibly violating its contents. In this paper two local sch ...

6 Cache write policies and performance

Norman P. Jouppi

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This paper investigates issues involving writes and caches. First, tradeoffs on writes that miss in the cache are investigated. In particular, whether the missed cache block is fetched on a write miss, whether the missed cache block is allocated in the cache, and whether the cache line is written before hit or miss is known are considered. Depending on the combination of these polices chosen, the entire cache miss rate can vary by a factor of two on some applications. The combination of no- ...

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Bob Wheeler, Brian N. Bershad

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The Rio file cache: surviving operating system crashes

Peter M. Chen, Wee Teck Ng, Subhachandra Chandra, Christopher Aycock, Gurushankar Rajamani, David Lowell

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One of the fundamental limits to high-performance, high-reliability file systems is memory's vulnerability to system crashes. Because memory is viewed as unsafe, systems periodically write data back to disk. The extra disk traffic lowers performance, and the delay period before data is safe lowers reliability. The goal of the Rio (RAM I/O) file cache is to make

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DASH is a scalable shared-memory multiprocessor currently being developed at Stanford's Computer Systems Laboratory. The architecture consists of powerful processing nodes, each with a portion of the shared-memory, connected to a scalable interconnection network. A key feature of DASH is its distributed directory-based cache coherence protocol. Unlike traditional snoopy coherence protocols, the DASH protocol does not rely on broadcast; instead it uses point-to-point messages sent between th ...

# 13 An economical solution to the cache coherence problem

James Archibald, Jean Loup Baer

January 1984 ACM SIGARCH Computer Architecture News, Proceedings of the 11th annual international symposium on Computer architecture, Volume 12 Issue 3

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In this paper we review and qualitatively evaluate schemes to maintain cache coherence in tightly-coupled multiprocessor systems. This leads us to propose a more economical (hardware-wise), expandable and modular variation of the "global directory" approach. Protocols for this solution are described. Performance evaluation studies indicate the limits (number of processors, level of sharing) within which this approach is viable.

# 14 Supporting reference and dirty bits in SPUR's virtual address cache

D. A. Wood, R. H. Katz

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Virtual address caches can provide faster access times than physical address caches, because translation is only required on cache misses. However, because we don't check the translation information on each cache access, maintaining reference and dirty bits is more difficult. In this paper we examine the trade-offs in supporting reference and dirty bits in a virtual address cache. We use measurements from a uniprocessor SPUR prototype to evaluate different alternatives. The prototype's buil ...

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scheme, which can be implemented on a large-scale multiprocessor using off-the-shelf microprocessors, such as the Cray T3D. It can be adapted to various cache organizations, including multi-word cache lines and byte-addressable architectures. Several system related issues, including critical sections, inter-thread communication, and task migration have also been addressed. The cost of the required hardware sup	
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